



NEWS RELEASE  
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg, Acting Omaha Police Chief Alex Hays, and Mickey Leadingham, Omaha's Resident Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, announce the following information for the attention of the media:

**Event Triggering this Release:**

A. J. Kelly was sentenced this on November 9, 2009, by the Honorable Laurie Smith Camp, United States District Court Judge, to serve 115 months in prison, which will be followed by a 3 year term of Supervised Release, and to pay a \$100 Special Assessment following his conviction for being a felon in possession of a firearm. The federal sentence was ordered to be served consecutively to a recent Douglas County District Court sentence handed down by Judge Michael Coffey, who sentenced Kelly on October 23, to serve 35 to 50 years in prison for the first-degree sexual assault of an 11-year-old girl. Omaha Police received information from an informant that crack cocaine could be bought from a male known as "AK" at a home in the 2700 block of N. 45<sup>th</sup> Street. Two police controlled purchases of drugs from "AK", (Kelly), were made over the next several days. Police then applied for and obtained a search warrant. When the warrant was served on April 21, 2008, police found a .22 caliber pistol, ammunition, and a 2007 receipt for ammunition, in the basement rafters. Kelly was prohibited from possessing a firearm due to a previous felony conviction.

**Name of Defendant:** A. J. Kelly

**AKA:** n/a

**Age:** 32

**City of Residence:** Omaha

**Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty** (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Felon in Possession of a Firearm carries not more

than 10 years in prison, not more than a \$250,000 fine, not more than 3 yrs term of Supervised Release, and a \$100 Special Assessment.

**Specific Location of Alleged Crime:** 2700 block of N. 45<sup>th</sup> Street

**Location of Arrest:** 2700 block of N. 45<sup>th</sup> Street

**Relevant Dates:**

**Date of Alleged Crime:** April 21, 2008

**Federal Arrest Date:** June 26, 2009

**Date Complaint Issued:** n/a

**Indictment Returned Date:** June 2008

**Initial Appearance Date:** June 26, 2009

**Trial Date(s):** August 13, 2009

**Sentencing Date:** November 9, 2009

**Next Court Hearing Type and Date:** n/a

**Assigned Magistrate Judge:** Hon. Thomas D. Thalken

**Held without Bond:** Yes

**In Continuous Custody Since:** April 21, 2008

**Assigned District Court Judge:** Hon. Laurie Smith Camp

**Initials of Assigned AUSA/Preparer of THIS Release:** MDW